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Dr. Charles J. McCann, dean of faculty and professor of English at Central Washington State College was named President of The Evergreen State College by the board of trustees August 15th. The selection of McCann, 42 year old doctor of philosophy who received his doctorate at Yale University in 1956, came after a six-month nation-wide search for an outstanding man to head Washington State's newest institution of higher education.

In a joint statement issued by Al Saunders, chairman of the board and Roger Camp, chairman of the board's presidential selection committee, they said: 'We feel very fortunate that The Evergreen State College has been able to secure a President with the background of scholarship and administration combined in Dr. McCann. We are especially impressed with his capacity to meet the new challenges of education with imaginative and meaningful approaches. And, of course, we are pleased that we were able to select a President from within the state system, thus avoiding the lengthy 'apprenticeship' required of someone not familiar with the state of Washington."

Prior to coming to Central Washington State College in 1956, Doctor McCann taught at Canisius College, New Haven Junior College and was a teacher in the Hartford, Connecticut junior and senior high schools. While at Central Washington State College he progressed from an associate professorship in English to chairman of the department of English, became assistant to the president in 1965 and later became dean of faculty, the position he now holds.

Dr. McCann has written and had published an impressive number of articles and reviews on the English novel, the most prominent of which is an essay on Jane Austen to be published soon by Prentice Hall entitled "Setting and (MORE)

Character in Pride and Prejudice."

He is presently service as a member of many statewide committees in the higher education field including the State Advisory Committee on Teacher Certification.

Doctor McCann is married and has three boys and three girls between the ages of nine and nineteen. He has indicated to the board of trustees that he will accept the presidency of The Evergreen State College and will be available as soon as he completes his duties at Central Wasnington State College.

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